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ABSTRACT

This publication documents the development of the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association (OCHEA) from its two predecessor organizations: the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education (in existence from 1968 to 1984) and the Ohio Continuing Education Council (in existence from 1976 to 1983). The history is presented in the following sections: (1) a prologue; (2) the Cleveland Conference (August 1982) and response; (3) committee on a statewide continuing education organization; (4) constitutional convention (April 21, 1983); and (5) sections for the years 1983-1984, 1984-1985, 1985-1986, 1986-1987, and 1987-1988. Each of the yearly sections includes a description of the activities and leadership of the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association for that year. Appendix A describes the history of the Ohio Continuing Education Council and lists its officers from 1976 through 1983. Appendix B describes the history of the Ohio Council for Higher Continuing Education and lists its officers from 1968 through 1984. Appendix C describes the OCHEA Archives (housed in the Vernon R. Alden Library at Ohio University in Athens). Appendix D lists OCHEA documents that are available through ERIC. (CML)

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At first glance the task of writing the history of a relatively young association and its predecessors was viewed to be simple. However, once undertaken the task was at closer view more complicated and involved with several trips to the OCHEA Archives at Ohio University and with correspondence and telephone calls across the State to track down elusive information. The source materials used in the preparation of the **History of OCHEA** have been placed in the OCHEA Archives at the Alden Library of Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

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For the Editor, in his role as author and Chair of the Special Committee on the History of OCHEA, the preparation of the **History of OCHEA** was a walk **back to the future** through nearly 15 years of participation and observation of continuing higher education in Ohio. As one not known for using words sparingly, the shortest description which might be used to characterize the development of OCHEA was provided by Dr. Robert W. McCormick when he described the development of continuing higher education in Ohio in another period as having been "historically more episodic than continuous".

For the inspiration and dedication of the members of the past and present associations who sparked the interest and the formation of OCHEA and to the leadership , past and present, who fanned the desire while keeping an eye on the purpose, the Special Committee on the History of OCHEA tips its collective mortar board and says "Thank You".

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OHIO CONTINUING HIGHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

PROLOGUE

To set the stage for the 1982-1983 activities leading to the founding of the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association (OCHEA), it is necessary to look back to events in 1976, 1977, 1979, 1981 and 1982. Prior to the founding of the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association (OCHEA) at the Constitutional Convention on April 21, 1983 at The Ohio Union on the campus of The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, a number of meetings and joint activities and projects were undertaken between the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education (OCHCE) founded in 1968 and the Ohio Continuing Education Council (OCEC) founded in 1976. Detailed description and histories of OCHCE and OCEC are provided in the Appendices.

The first dialogue between OCHCE and OCEC to explore areas of mutual interest and concern took place with Robert W. McCormick (OCHCE, The Ohio State University) and Carol A. Fought (OCEC, Columbus Technical Institute) on December 14, 1976. After that meeting it was agreed that both associations meet at the Fawcett Center at The Ohio State University on February 11, 1977. The February meeting was conducted resulting in plans for a joint conference in the Fall, 1977.

Bell Ringer Conferences, sponsored by the Office of Lifelong Learning of the Ohio Board of Regents (Lynn G. Johnson, Director), were held across the State in 1979, drawing together continuing educators from two-year colleges and public and private four-year colleges and universities with leaders of the higher education community and business community. After the conferences meetings of the officers of the Ohio Continuing Education Council and the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education were held to explore, once again, opportunities for joint activities as a follow up to the initial 1977 meetings. During this period the Ohio Board of Regents instituted a newsletter on continuing education and the activities of the Committee on Lifelong Learning and the Bell Ringer Conferences.

In July, 1979 a meeting was held at the Western Campus of Cuyahoga Community College with OCHEA representatives John R. Loch (Youngstown State University), President and Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University), Vice President and and OCEC representatives Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College), President and Roslyn Talerico (Cuyahoga Community College), Vice President to explore the development of joint meetings and projects. The executive committees of both associations made plans to meet jointly, hosting programs and dealing with major issues. It was also determined that OCEC and OCHCE desired to retain their individual identity and purpose. The meeting resulted in a November 29, 1979 meeting of the two organizations at the Fawcett Center on The Ohio State University campus with Edward Q. Moulton, Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, as the dinner speaker. In his address Chancellor Moulton challenged continuing educators to move beyond recreational and personal interest offerings and encouraged movement into professional development offerings. This session was followed by meetings of the two associations the next day.

In July, 1981 OCEC and OCHCE held a joint conference at Mohican State Park Lodge where the process of exploring working relationships and joint projects across the associations continued. Joint meetings continued into the Spring 1982 resulting in a plan to sponsor a second summer conference for the two associations. For a number of reasons that plan did not move forward and the task of organizing the summer meeting was picked up by Patricia Skinner (Ohio Board of Regents) and Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University).

THE CLEVELAND CONFERENCE AND RESPONSE

The August, 1982 Conference in Cleveland served as a capstone event to all previous explorations, discussions and projects and took a step beyond the Bell Ringer Conferences in linking OCEC and OCHCE. The Cleveland Conference reflected a furthering of the collaborative approach in its conference theme--**Continuing Connections: Sharing Ideas and Issues in Continuing Education.** At the closing session Ferris Anthony (Dean of the Division of Continuing Education at Cleveland State University) called for the formation of a new organization for continuing educators in Ohio which would draw together the college and university providers of continuing education and for the development of quality standards. By the end of the Conference broad-based agreement emerged that a new structure, uniting the two associations and expanding to include the private colleges and universities as well as incorporating credit and non credit programming, was desirable. It should be noted that no association of private college and university continuing educators existed.

A preliminary meeting on the development of a statewide continuing education organization was called by Pat Skinner (Administrator for Continuing Education, Ohio Board of Regents) with Edieann Biesbrock-Didham, OCHCE President, (Bowling Green State University); Leon Albert, OCEC President, (Stark Technical College); Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University); and John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) in attendance at the Strongsville Holiday Inn on September 14, 1982. At this meeting it was determined that a survey of Ohio colleges and universities should be undertaken to assess the interest in the proposed statewide organization and that an individual with responsibility for supervision of the continuing education function within a college or university should be appointed to serve as chair of the proposed committee on a statewide continuing education organization. A list of benefits of such an organization was identified. The consensus at the conclusion of this meeting was that a Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization and a Task Force on Quality Standards in Non Credit Continuing Education should be established by the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents and that planning should begin for a statewide summer conference in 1983.

The Ohio Board of Regents' staff then explored with Chancellor Edward Q. Moulton the desire on the part of the continuing education administrators to establish a statewide organization. Among the benefits identified in establishing such an organization were responding in strength and unity to the need for greater statewide cooperation and collaboration; focusing on common issues while accommodating for diversity; providing suggestions from a broader cross section of continuing education; sponsoring statewide conferences to meet a greater variety of needs and interests; and working more closely, as a united voice, with the increasing number of non-collegiate institutions involved in continuing education.

A task group including Melvin B. Dunn (Associate Provost, Cleveland State University), John R. Loch (Director of Continuing Education and Education Outreach, Youngstown State University), Ronald Taylor (Executive Assistant to the President, Ursuline College), and Leon Albert (Director of Continuing Education, Stark Technical College) met with Patricia Skinner (Administrator for Continuing Education, Ohio Board of Regents) at the Strongsville Holiday Inn on October 6, 1982 to review preliminary activities, correspondence and the draft survey designed to assess interest in the statewide continuing education organization in Ohio.

A committee, coordinated through the Ohio Board of Regents until the new organization was formed, was established to develop a statewide summer conference for 1983. This initiative was led by Patricia Skinner and James Bina (Ohio Board of Regents) and Sr. Donna Capuano (Ursuline College); Edieann Biesbrock-Didham (Bowling Green State University); Edward Erner (Findlay College); Ron Phillips (Mt. Vernon Nazarene College); Greg Longacre (Otterbein College); Juergen Mudrow (University of Toledo); Margaret Noble (Defiance College); Karen Rylander (Kent State University); Ron Taylor (Ursuline College); Zoe Bechtol (The Ohio State University-Newark and Central Ohio Technical College); Leon Albert (Stark Technical College); Ed Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College); and Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University) from the State's two-year and four-year public and private colleges and universities.

COMMITTEE ON A STATEWIDE CONTINUING EDUCATION ORGANIZATION

In November, 1982 Chancellor Moulton, based on the August Conference, the expression of interest through the Regents' survey and the preliminary meetings, established a Regents' Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization to explore its future development and with a call for the first meeting on January 5, 1983 at the offices of the Ohio Board of Regents in Columbus. Dr. Melvin Dunn (Associate Provost, Cleveland State University) was appointed Chair of the Committee. A Task Force on Quality Standards in Non Credit Continuing Education was also established with Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University) as Chair.

On January 5, 1983 Dr. Dunn convened the Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization with the following individuals in attendance: Leon Albert (Stark Technical College); John Barton (Wright State University); Patricia Skinner and James Bina (Ohio Board of Regents); Sister Donna Capuano (Ursuline College); Edieann Biesbrock-Didham (Bowling Green State University); Mel Dunn (Cleveland State University); Edward Erner (Findlay College); Danny Evans (Shawnee State Community College); Joanne Fagerburg (Kent State University-Geauga); Ed Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College); Juergen Mudrow (University of Toledo); C. Wayne Jones (Southern State Community College); Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College); Barbara Kaplan (Wilmington College); Robert Lawrence (Mount Vernon Nazarene College); John R. Loch (Youngstown State University); Greg Longacre (Otterbein College); James McBride (Bowling Green State University); Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College); Andrew McGreevy (Ohio University-Lancaster); Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College); David Mitzel (Ohio University-Zanesville); Margaret Noble (Defiance College); Richard Teaff (University of Akron); Ken Ostrand (The Ohio State University); Helen Richardson (Tiffin University); Michael Roetter (Owens Technical College); Rae Rohfeld (Cuyahoga Community College);

William Rothman (Hocking Technical College); Karen Rylander (Kent State University); Calvert Smith (University of Cincinnati); Dick Starr (Clark Technical College); John Sweitzer (Lake Erie College); Ronald Taylor (Ursuline College); Robert Thompson (Columbus Technical Institute); and Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College).

As the meeting began Chancellor Edward Q. Moulton welcomed the Committee members and encouraged them to join together, to share information, to reinforce each other professionally and to strengthen the continuing efforts of colleges and universities. Dr. Moulton further emphasized that the Ohio Board of Regents would provide administrative help and support in the formation of a statewide continuing education organization. He, however, cautioned that the leadership would have to come from the committee members and continuing educators across the State.

Among the business items for the meeting was a review by Robert J. Armstrong, Ohio Board of Regents' staff, of the survey conducted by the Ohio Board of Regents in October and a review of the findings on state-level continuing education organizations across the United States. The survey carried out through the Ohio Board of Regents yielded 66 responses. Of the respondents 56 expressed a willingness on the part of their institution to participate in a statewide organization. The survey of state-level associations revealed that no state had a comprehensive two-year and four-year public and private college and university organization of continuing educators in place.

The Co-chairs, serving as subcommittee chairs for the Committee, convened their subcommittee membership in the respective areas: **Purpose,** John R. Loch; **Definition of Continuing Education in Higher Education,** Gary Wilson; and **Membership,** Ronald Taylor. The individuals serving on the **Subcommittee on Purpose** included Harold Brown (Columbus Technical Institute); Danny Evans (Shawnee State Community College); Ed Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College); Barry Hermann (Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities); Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College); John R. Loch, Chair (Youngstown State University); Greg Longacre (Otterbein College); Ken Ostrand (The Ohio State University); William Rothman (Hocking Technical College); Calvert Smith (University of Cincinnati); and Dick Starr (Clark Technical College). Serving on the **Subcommittee on the Definition of Continuing Education** were Sister Donna Capuano (Ursuline College); Joanne Fagerburg (Kent State University-Geauga); John Gumpf (University of Toledo); Robert Lawrence (Mount Vernon Nazarene College); Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College); Andrew McGreevy (Ohio University-Lancaster); David Mitzel (Ohio University-Zanesville); James Nagel (Northwest Technical College); Richard Teaff (University of Akron); Helen Richardson (Tiffin University); Michael Roetter (Owens Technical College); Rae Rohfeld (Cuyahoga Community College); John Sweitzer (Lake Erie College); and Gary Wilson, Chair (Edison State Community College). The **Subcommittee on Membership** included Leon Albert (Stark Technical College); John Barton (Wright State University); Edieann Biesbrock-Didham (Bowling Green State University); Edward Erner (Findlay College); Wayne Jones (Southern State Community College); Barbara Kaplan (Wilmington College); James McBride (Bowling Green State University); Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College); Margaret Noble (Defiance College); Karen Rylander (Kent State University); and Ronald Taylor, Chair (Ursuline College).

At the January 5 meeting a Steering Committee for the Committee was appointed by Dr. Melvin Dunn. The Co-Chairs of the Committee (Dr. Loch, Dr. Taylor and Mr. Wilson) were appointed along with Leon Albert, Edieann Biesbrock-Didham, Rae Rohfeld, Robert Joyce, David Mitzel, and Patricia Skinner and James Bina of the Ohio Board of Regents' staff.

On January 26, 1983 the subcommittees met again in Columbus at the offices of the Ohio Board of Regents to explore their respective charges and to formulate draft components for a constitution or bylaws. Discussion on the structure and organization of the new association was initiated at this meeting, along with the identification of sources of funding in the transition from the OCEC and OCHCE structure to the new association.

The Steering Committee met at the conclusion of the January 26, 1983 meeting. Agreement was achieved on the elements of a draft constitution. Dr. Dunn agreed to prepare the first draft. The name of the association, (OCHEA-the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association), officers, committees, and dues, as well as the members of the transition team, were identified. The transition team included (Edieann Biesbrock-Didham (Bowling Green State University) for OCHCE; Leon Albert (Stark Technical College) for OCEC; David Mitzel (Ohio University-Zanesville) for Branch Campuses; Ron Taylor (Ursuline College) for Private Colleges and Universities with Melvin Dunn (Cleveland State University) as Chair. The transition team guided the new association until the Constitution was adopted and officers were elected. Throughout the initial steps in the formation of the new association it was evident that it would be necessary to retain, for a time, the identity of the institutional-type in the governance structure through the constituencies which would meet and elect a vice president to the Executive Board. However, in the long term other options were identified and discussed. On February 9, 1983 Dr. Dunn circulated the draft Constitution to the Steering Committee.

On February 16, 1983 the draft of the proposed constitution was circulated to the Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization with a request for input to the Steering Committee. On March 17, 1983 the proposed constitution was circulated again to the members of the Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Association with a call for the founding meeting in Columbus on April 21, 1983.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

The April 21, 1983 meeting was called to order by Dr. Dunn with the following individuals and institutions represented: Leon Albert (Stark Technical College); Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University); John Barton (Wright State University); Edieann Biesbrock-Didham (Bowling Green State University); James V. Bina (Ohio Board of Regents); Judith Bush (Ohio University-Belmont); Terry Callaway (Cuyahoga Community College-West); Paul Callahan (Cincinnati Technical College); Sister Donna Capuano (Ursuline College); Stan Christensen (Kent State University); Nora Duffy (University of Dayton); Danny Evans (Shawnee State Community College); Carolyn Fasig (The Ohio State University-Lima/Lima Technical College); Sister LeRoy Finn (Notre Dame College of Ohio); Steven Fritch (Cuyahoga Community College-East); Edward Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College); Rita Gitson (Cuyahoga Community College-Metro); Gay Hadley (The Ohio State University); Barry Hermann (Union

for Experimenting Colleges and Universities); Kathryn Horr (Ohio University-Ironton); Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College); Barbara Kaplan (Wilmington College); Dolores Kennedy (John Carroll University); John R. Loch (Youngstown State University); Greg Longacre (Otterbein College); Steve Maredian (Lakeland Community College); Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College); Diana McGary (Capital University); Andrew McGreevy (Ohio University-Lancaster); David Mitzel (Ohio University-Zanesville); James Moore (Ohio Northern University); Juergen Mudrow (University of Toledo); Joseph Oshins (The Ohio State University); and Ken Ostrand (The Ohio State University); Sister Lois Anne Palkert (Lourdes College); Ron Phillips (Mount Vernon Nazarene College); Stephen Phillips (Ohio University-Chillicothe); Helen Richardson (Tiffin University); Michael Roetter (Owens Technical College); Rae Rohfeld (Cuyahoga Community College); Karen Rylander (Kent State University); Patricia Skinner (Ohio Board of Regents); Ron Taylor (Ursuline College); Richard Teaff (University of Akron); Margaret Thoms (Franklin University); Joseph Tucker (Ohio University); Ed West (Jefferson Technical College); Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College); and Michael Young (Columbus College of Art and Design).

The Constitution, after minor editorial change, was adopted unanimously by role call vote of 38 institutions present at the Constitutional Convention. Following the adoption of the Constitution, officers for 1983-1984 were nominated and elected: Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College) was elected President; Karen Rylander (Kent State University) was elected Secretary; and Richard Teaff (University of Akron) was elected Treasurer. The four constituencies caucused and elected vice presidents with Leon Albert (Stark Technical College) serving as Vice President for Community and Technical Colleges; Joseph Oshins (The Ohio State University) serving as Vice President for Public Colleges and Universities; Greg Longacre (Otterbein College) serving as Vice President for Private Colleges and Universities and David Mitzel (Ohio University-Zanesville) serving as Vice President for Branch Campuses.

In further action dues for OCHEA were approved at $25 per institutional member and $15 for affiliate membership. Dr. Dunn was recognized for his leadership and contributions to the formation of OCHEA. OCHEA at that point had a pulse and began to take its first steps to establish a new identity. Imbedded in OCHEA at the founding meeting on April 21, 1983 was the hope and promise of the future for continuing higher education and of continuing educators in the State of Ohio.

1983-1984

The new association was faced with planning arrangements for its first summer conference. Patricia Skinner (Administrator of Continuing Education, Ohio Board of Regents) provided oversight for the planning activities until the Association was established. The first Summer Conference with the theme, **Quality Through Cooperation: An Ohio Continuing Education Conference** was held from July 27-29, 1983 at the Marcum Center on the campus of Miami University in Oxford, Ohio with 100 registered. A feature of the conference was a new continuing educator workshop designed to assist newly appointed continuing educators to understand the field as well as to learn about the Assocation. The conference evoked strong feelings of congeniality and a growing confidence in the new association among those in attendance.

The first OCHEA Winter Conference was held on March 2, 1984 at Ohio Dominican College in Columbus with 75 in attendance. Carol Aslanian of the Adult Learning Service of The College Board was the keynote speaker. The Winter Conference theme was **Implementing Quality Standards and Continuing Education.** The second Summer Conference with the theme **The Business of Continuing Education** was held at Aqua Marine Resort near Cleveland from July 26-28, 1984 with 98 registered.

In May, 1983 the Executive Board began the process of developing a logo for the Association and assumed responsibility for the continuing education newsletter. The loans from OCEC and OCHCE were repaid by OCHEA.

The Constituencies met at the Association's conferences to conduct business. The Branch Campus Constituency also met at Granville, Ohio on May 11, 1984.

Since there was no precedent for the constituency groups a major goal of the first Executive Board of the Association was to develop a sense of esprit de corps among the members resulting in positive working relationships and self-help networks. The Association institutional membership in 1983-1984 was 78. In the first year the Association's committees as set forth in the Constitution and By-laws became operational and in earnest the work of the new association began.

1984-1985

During the conference at the Aqua Marine Resort on July 26-28, 1984 the Association elected new Officers: Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University), President; Andrew McGreevy (Ohio University-Lancaster), Treasurer and Roseann Parks (Lorain County Community College), Secretary and additional members of the Executive Board with the constituencies electing Sister Donna Capuano (Ursuline College), Vice-President for Private Colleges and Universities; Dennis Parks (Capital University-Cleveland), Vice-President for Branch Campuses; Paul Callahan (Cincinnati Technical College) Vice-President for Technical and Community Colleges and John R. Loch (Youngstown State University), Vice-President for Public Colleges and Universities. Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College) continued to serve on the Executive Board as Past President in accord with the Constitution. Patricia Skinner (Administrator for Continuing Education, Ohio Board of Regents) was appointed by Chancellor Coulter as the Ohio Board of Regents' Ex-Officio member of the Executive Board.

During the 1984-1985 Association year the constitution was rewritten and the new constitution was adopted by the membership on July 18, 1985. The development and substitution of the new constitution at the Annual Business Meeting provided focus for the Executive Board along with the establishment of several new committees: Quality Standards and Site Selection. Ties between the Association Standing Committees and the Executive Board were strengthened by the appointment of liaisons from the Executive Board to each Association Committee. The Association endorsed the Standards for Non-Credit Continuing Education Programs on August 31, 1984 which were later endorsed by the Ohio Board of Regents on December 21, 1984 as developed by its Task Force on Quality Standards. As the Association took on development of new activities and experienced new phases of its development, the formulation of Standing Rules for the Executive Board was undertaken to assist the Association in its growth and development. In 1984-1985 basic policy on

committee chairs, host institution charge of overhead for conferences, and the use of mailing lists were established.

The Association with the new Constitution continued its forward momentum through efforts to develop leadership across the Association by restructuring the Executive Board to incorporate the Office of President-Elect. At the same time work was undertaken by President Anthony, Robert McElwee (Wayne Technical College) and John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) to rewrite the By-laws.

In the Fall, 1984 the first issue of **The Continuing Educator**, the Association's newsletter, was published through the effort of Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College). In 1983 the Ohio Board of Regents ceased publishing the newsletter started in 1979. The Association's second Winter Conference (March 7-8, 1985) with 83 registered was held at the Christopher Inn in Columbus with sessions conducted at Capital University. Dr. Quentin Gessner of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln was the keynote speaker of the conference with the theme, **"Strategic Planning: Implications for Continuing Education"**.

The third Summer Conference with the theme, **Toward the 21st Century**, was held at Atwood Lake in Delroy, Ohio from July 17-19, 1985 with Dr. Badi Foster, President of the Aetna Institute for Corporate Education and Dr. Kay Kohl, Executive Director of the National University Continuing Education Association, as keynote speakers. At the 1985 Summer Conference two features were initiated which have since become a tradition at summer conferences. These included a game, TRIVOCHEA--a spin-off on Trivial Pursuit, through which institutional teams were able to multiply "OCHEA BUCKS" which would later be used to bid on items in an OCHEA Auction of college and university souvenirs and memorabilia. There were 91 registered for the conference. Association institutional membership in 1984-1985 was 87 with 76 affiliate members.

The Community and Governmental Relations Committee, John R. Loch (Youngstown State University), Chair, issued the first LEGISLATIVE UPDATE to the membership. The Legislative Update was designed to update members on the legislative and regulatory actions of the Federal and State governments.

The Association's first Membership Directory was published in 1985. This publication provided for an expanded range of networking opportunities to the membership.

The Constituencies met as a part of the Association's conferences to conduct business. The Public College and University Constituency met three times during 1984-1985 (Columbus, Dayton and Kent) to conduct business. Among the actions of that constituency was the development of a position paper, **ACCESS: Non-Traditional Student Enrollment In and Completion of Degrees**, prepared by Calvin Stockman (Kent State University), Ramona Cormier (Bowling Green State University) and John R. Loch (Youngstown State University).

1985-1986

After election at the Atwood Lake Conference, the new Officers and Executive Board began the task of incorporating the newly created office of President-Elect into the Association. This resulted in the amendment of the constitution to provide for greater clarification of operational procedures.

The Officers in 1985-1986 were Sister Donna Capuano (Ursuline College), President; John R. Loch (Youngstown State University), President-Elect; Gregory Longacre (Otterbein College), Secretary and Jergen Mudrow (University of Toledo), Treasurer. Filling out the Executive Board and serving as constituency vice presidents were Richard Starr (Clark Technical College), Vice-President for Technical and Community Colleges; Michael Mark (Ohio University), Vice President for Public Colleges and Universities; Edward Erner (Findlay College), Vice President for Private Colleges and Universities and Carolyn Fasig (The Ohio State University-Lima/Lima Technical College), Vice-President for Branch Campuses. Patricia Skinner continued as the Ohio Board of Regents' Ex-Officio representative to the Executive Board attending meetings in 1985-1986 on an as-needed basis.

At the first meeting of the Executive Board on August 28, 1985 the Executive Board adopted the official seal as developed by John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) after consideration in 1984-1985. The seal depicts the outline of the State of Ohio encircled by the name of the Association in the outer ring. The four stars separating the words in the title of the Association represent the four constituencies (technical and community colleges, private colleges and universities, branch campuses and public colleges and universities). The year of the Association's founding is at the base of the seal. The dots to the right and left of the founding year represent the predecessor associations (OCEC, the Ohio Continuing Education Council and OCHCE, the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education). The dots encircling the outline of the State of Ohio represent the charter members. The initials of the Association's name are depicted across the State, as in the OCHEA logo.

The newsletter, **The Continuing Educator**, continued to contribute to the Association. A new feature added in 1985-1986 was **TIPS from OCHEA.** This project, initiated by Ferris Anthony (Cleveland State University) and John R. Loch (Youngstown State University), was approved by the Executive Board to provide for a continuing exchange of successful, and not-so-succesful, tips from continuing educators on programs and services. Under the sponsorship of the Community and Governmental Relations Committee the first Adult and Continuing Education Week in Ohio, October 13-19, 1985 was proclaimed by Governor Richard F. Celeste. The effort for the designation of this special week was initiated in 1984-1985 with John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) as Chair and was carried forward in 1985 with Jay McCreary, (Marion Technical College) as Chair. A variety of campus-based activities, news stories and opportunities to create an increased awareness of the role of continuing higher education were undertaken across the state during this week. In 1985-1986 the Executive Board authorized the filing of applications with the Secretary of State in Ohio to be recognized as a not-for-profit corporation as well as filing with the Internal Revenue Service for non-profit status. The State of Ohio recognized OCHEA as a not-for-profit state corporation on March 18, 1986.

A step was taken to create ties to continuing educators retired from their active role in colleges and universities when Executive Board authorized on March 19, 1986 the creation of the **Order of Lifelong Learning in Ohio (OLLO)** as proposed by John R. Loch (Youngstown State University). On November 15,

1985 the Executive Board on behalf of the Association established an official repository for its archives at the Alden Library at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. In the last quarter of the association year President Capuano and President-Elect Loch began meeting with representatives from the Ohio Association for Adult and Continuing Education and other adult and continuing education groups across the state to explore the formation of an Ohio Coalition for Adult and Continuing Education.

The revision of the By-laws initiated in 1983-1984 was completed at the 1986 Winter Conference when at the March 21, 1986 business meeting the new By-laws were adopted setting in place a new standing committee structure. The newly established standing committees--Organizational Development; Nomination and Election; Site Selection; Awards and Honors; and Research and Data Collection.

In 1986 the Winter Conference with the theme, **"Serving The Needs of The Working Adult"**, was held at The Great Southern Hotel in Columbus on March 20 and 21, 1986 and had 81 in attendance. The keynote speaker at this conference was Dr. Omar Olson, President of Lorain County Community College.

The fourth Summer Conference with 110 registrants was held at Deer Creek State Park Lodge from July 23-25, 1986. The theme of the conference was **Continuing Education: Are We Trendsetters?** with Laurence Smith, Vice President of Marketing and Student Services at Eastern Michigan University as the conference keynote speaker. At this Conference a new program feature was added--**View from Columbus**--with representatives from the Ohio Technical and Community College Association (OTCCA), the Inter-University Council (IUC) and Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Ohio (AICU) presenting their respective views of the legislative and regulatory actions of the State government and Ohio Board of Regents. The Association institutional membership in 1985-1986 was 86 with 84 affiliate members.

The Association Constitution was amended at the Annual Business Meeting on July 24, 1986. Amendments related to the Association's new corporate and not-for-profit status; a change in constituency designation from Branch Campuses to Branch and Regional Campuses; fine tuning the role of the President-Elect and setting it in place with duties and succession along with a procedure for filling a vacancy as an Officer or Executive Board member; and a change in the timing of the approval of the annual dues. At the 1986 Summer Confe the Membership Committee recommended the first increase in Association dues (Institutional $60/Associate $15/Affiliate $50). The increase was apoved at the Annual Business meeting. At the Annual Business Meeting a floor nomination for Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College) was made for the office of President-Elect. Thus, two candidates, Jay McCreary and Robert McElwee (Wayne Technical College) vied for election at the Conference. After the ballots were counted Mr. McCreary won the election.

Standing Rules adopted by the Executive Board in 1985-1986 included the designation of the Association archives; procedures for membership application/invoice; establishment of a source for identifying eligible institutions and the incorporation of policies on the constituencies and their operations. The Executive Board designated John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) as the Statutory Agent for incorporation in the State of Ohio.

1986-1987

In April, 1986 the Association had been in place for three years. With the change of Officers and Executive Board at the conclusion of the Deer Creek State Park Conference on July 25, 1986, the Association had come full term with the new Constitution and By-laws and the institution of the Office of President-Elect. At the 1986 Summer Conference John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) moved from the Office of President-Elect to that of Association President. Officers elected at the conference included Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College), President-Elect; Cynthia Wentz (Ohio Dominican College), Secretary and Judy Fritsch (Kent State University), Treasurer. The constituency vice presidents serving on the Executive Board included Dennis Massey (Wilmington College), Vice-President for Private Colleges and Universities; Juergen Mudrow (University of Toledo), Vice President for Public Colleges or Universities; Robert McElwee (University of Akron-Wayne Technical College), Vice-President for Branch/Regional Campus and Roseann Parks (Lorain County Community College), Vice-President for Technical and Community Colleges. Linda Ogden was appointed by Chancellor Coulter as the Ohio Board of Regents' Ex-Officio member to the Executive Board, attending meetings on an as-needed basis.

The 1986-1987 Association year started with focus on the committees and an advance planning process involving membership, committee chairs and the current and former Executive Boards. In this Association year more than 100 individuals were appointed to standing committees. The By-laws adopted on March 21, 1986 set in place 13 Association standing committees. For the first time specific charges were given to each committee chair and the committee. Vice chairs were appointed for all committees to provide for continuity and leadership development and the committee members were appointed for single or multi-year terms; thereby, enhancing the continuity of the respective committee work. An **Officer, Executive Board and Committee Chair Handbook** was issued at the first Association Leadership Conference. The focus of the 1986-1987 year was on the work of the Standing Committees.

For the first time the Association finances were reviewed to access financial practices and procedures through a Special Committee on Finance. The Special Committee, later established as a standing committee, and the Executive Board adopted Standing Rules regarding the deposit of Association funds, letters of agreement for management of conferences and the establishment of a fund for excess conference income.

A second special committee was established on January 16, 1987 to develop a history of the Association and to recommend practices on the Association Archives at Alden Library, Ohio University. This committee functioned as the Special Committee on the History of OCHEA with John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) serving as Chair.

The Constitution and By-laws Committee under Joseph Tucker, Chair, (Ohio University) reviewed the Constitution and By-laws and recommended, with the Executive Board approval, referral to the membership amendments to the Constitution to change the Affiliate member category to provide for membership of higher education-based associations and state departments and agencies. The Committee also recommended the establishment of a Standing Committee on Finance.

The Site Selection Committee with Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College) as Chair developed criteria for evaluating future meeting locations for the Association Conferences.

The Communications Committee with Barbara Ludwig (Youngstown State University) as Chair expanded the scope of **The Continuing Educator** from the previous year and provided 32 pages in Volume III Numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. The inclusion of **TIPS FROM OCHEA** as a regular feature in the newsletter added to reader interest.

The Awards and Honors Committee with William Nichols (University of Akron) as Chair recommended, and the Executive Board approved, the establishment of three Association awards to be implemented in 1987-1988; **Special Achievement, Service to the Association** and **Program Development.** The Order of Lifelong Learning in Ohio inducted its first Fellows during the Summer Conference at Mohican State Park Lodge on July 16, 1987: Clyde W. Balch (University of Toledo), Mary Elizabeth Chesrown (University of Akron), Thomas C. Clapp (University of Toledo); Nora Duffy (University of Dayton); Sister Mary Leroy Finn (Notre Dame College); Curtis M. Johnson (Ohio University); Helen B. Michak (Cleveland State University); Robert Sherman (Miami University); William A. Rogers (University of Akron) and Cathryn Vegso (University of Akron).

In 1986-1987 the Research and Data Collection Committee undertook the collection of profile data on continuing education across the State.

At the November, 1986 Executive Board meeting the Nominations and Election Committee presented its plan for the conduct of the nomination and election process for 1987-1988. The plan called for the nomination of two or more candidates for each office and for the use of a mail ballot prior to the summer conference. The Executive Board approved the recommendations.

Adult and Continuing Education Week in Ohio (November 9-15, 1986) was observed for the second year by proclamation of Governor Richard F. Celeste through the joint efforts of OCHEA's Community and Government Relations Committee, Barbara Hanniford (The Ohio State University), Chair and the Ohio Association for Adult and Continuing Education. The Community and Governmental Reglations Committee also completed the multi-year task of revising and updating the Regents' publication on professional education requirements. In March, 1987 the OCHEA publication, **State Requirements for Occupational and Professional Licensing and Continuing Education,** was published.

The Association held its first annual Leadership Conference in Columbus at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow on October 20, 1986. Dr. William Napier, Vice Chancellor for External Affairs of the Ohio Board of Regents was the keynote speaker. The Executive Board and committee chairs met in the morning with the respective committee meetings held during the afternoon. At the Leadership Conference the goals and objectives identified through the committees and Executive Board were reviewed. The Standing Committees were able to meet and set in place a planning process to accomplish the goals and objectives.

The Membership Committee developed , in association with the Treasurer, a computer database to facilitate records management. The Committee utilized the new membership recruitment brochure and the carbonized membership applications. Association institutional membership in 1986-1987 was 77 with

135 associate and affiliate members, an overall 36 percent increase over the previous year with a decline of 9 institutional members.

The Association's Winter Conference was held from March 19-20, 1987 at The Great Southern Hotel. Dale Myers (University of Cincinnati) served as Chair of the conference with the theme, **Marketing for Success.** Dennis Johnson, President of Johnson Associates, was the keynote speaker. The Winter Conference had 101 registrants.

The Summer Conference with the theme, **Excellence: Building From Our Heritage--Committing to Our Future**, was held at Mohican State Park Lodge from July 15-17, 1987 with Donna Bovard (Cincinnati Technical College) serving as Chair with 116 attending. Judith Markoe, Director of Communications for the AAUW spoke on marketing and provided the keynote and presented first-timer and chief administrator sessions. The **View from Columbus** with OTCCA (Hal Roach), IUC (Mary Noonan) and AICUO (Larry Christman) was presented again along with a wide range of professional development sessions.

At the Annual Business Meeting on July 15, 1987 the Association's Constitution and By-laws were amended through the establishment of the Standing Committee on Finance and a change in the categories of membership in the Association. The former Affiliate Member status was changed to provide for membership from Ohio public agencies and departments and higher education related associations which have an interest in continuing higher education. The Association continued the dues structure in place since 1985-1986 (institutional membership $60, associate membership $15 and affiliate membership $50) by a vote at the Winter Conference Business Meeting on March 20, 1987 in accordance with the Constitution.

Continuing from the initiative in the previous year, President Loch met with adult and continuing education groups in Ohio seeking to form an Ohio Coalition for Adult and Continuing Education. At its November 21, 1986 meeting the Executive Board voted not to affiliate with the Coalition based on the lack of definition of primary interest in continuing education and the fact that membership in the Coalition would not be limited to statewide associations.

The Executive Board developed job or duty descriptions for each Officer, Executive Board member and committee chair to assist in furthering the continuity factors associated with the Association's development. The **1986 Summer Conference Proceedings; The Continuing Educator, 1986-1987;** the publication **State Requirements for Occupational and Professional Licensing and Continuing Education** and the Association's **Standards for Non Credit Continuing Education** were submitted for incorporation in the ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult, Continuing and Vocational Education (See Appendix C). President Loch submitted to the Executive Board a proposal to create Special Interest Groups (SIGS) to provide a key component in the professional development of staff in interest areas and for the establishment of an Occasional Paper Series consisting of commissioned papers and presentations deemed important to the profession in the State. Both items were tabled after Executive Board discussion based on concerns surrounding stretching limited financial and membership resources.

The Executive Board adopted the **Report on the Future of OCHEA** at its January 16, 1987 meeting culminating the goals and objectives process undertaken in May, 1986.

The Executive Board authorized President Loch to convene a meeting of Ohio-based higher education associations. On November 20, 1986 representatives from the Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, the Ohio College Personnel Association, the Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and OCHEA agreed to exchange newsletters, conference announcements, incorporate program sessions in conferences which would focus on the common interests, and to meet annually to identify areas of mutual concern and interest.

Standing and Special Committees prepared, for the first time, written annual reports to reflect the year's activities.

On December 9, 1986 the Internal Revenue Service extended to OCHEA Exempt Status/Not-for-Profit Status.

Standing Rules modified in 1986-1987 included a redefinition of the policy on conference fees and the adoption of Standing Rules on conference income; constituency participation; establishment of a letter of agreement for conference management/coordination with the host institution; the investment of Association funds; and grant/contract solicitation for the Association.

The Constituencies met at the Association's conferences. The Branch and Regional Campus Constituency met at Lancaster, Ohio under the leadership of Robert McElwee (Wayne Technical College) Vice President.

The election for the Office of President-Elect in 1986-1987 became a complex project. Robert McElwee (Wayne Technical College) and Dale Myers (University of Cincinnati) were nominated and the election was conducted. After the ballots were mailed and counted with Mr. Myers election, he accepted a position out of state; thus, complicating the election. The Executive Board ruled that all institutional members should have the right to vote, as in the first election; and required a second, post-conference, election of the President-Elect. In this election Robert McElwee (Wayne Technical College) was renominated and C. Patrick Lewis (Kent State University) was also nominated. A post conference mail ballot was conducted with Mr. McElwee elected to the office.

1987-1988

As the Officers changed for the fourth time, the Association through its Officers--Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College), President; Robert McElwee (University of Akron-Wayne Technical College), President-Elect; Judy Fritsch (Kent State University), Treasurer and Zoe Bechtol (Central Ohio Technical College and The Ohio State University-Newark), Secretary--along with constituency vice presidents--Barbara Hanniford (The Ohio State University), Vice President for Public Colleges and Universities; Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College), Vice President Private Colleges and Universities: Linda Long (Miami University-Hamilton Campus), Vice President Branch/Regional Campuses and Leon Albert (Stark Technical College), Vice President for Technical and Community Colleges)--provided follow through on projects and continuing initiatives

spanning the first five years of the Association's existence. The Executive Board selected the theme, **Self Evaluation: Where Are We?**, building on the **Report on the Future of OCHEA** adopted in 1987. In 1987-1988 William Coulter, Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, declined to designate an Ex-Officio representative to the Executive Board.

Among the projects concluded in 1987-1988 were the publication of a **Profile of Continuing Education Activities in Ohio** by the Research and Data Collection Committee, Ramona Cormier (Bowling Green State University), as Chair; revision of position descriptions for all Officers, Executive Board and committee chairs in the Association and the development of guidelines for financial audit and IRS filing through the Committee on Finance. The Leadership Conference initiated in 1986 was conducted for the second year. The third Adult and Continuing Education Week in Ohio was proclaimed by Governor Celeste for March 20-26, 1988. The Association's membership in 1987-1988 grew by 4 institutional members to 81 with 122 associate members.

The Association, through a special initiative, undertook the development of first-in-the-nation DACUM (Developing A Curriculum) task analysis for the Continuing Education Administrator. DACUM panel members in the task analysis of the continuing education administrator were Zoe Bechtol (The Ohio State University-Newark and Central Ohio Technical College); Hilton Bonniwell (University of Akron); Terry Callaway (Cuyahoga Community College); Paul Callahan (Cincinnati Technical College); Danny Evans (Shawnee State University); John R. Loch (Youngstown State University); Susan McGough (University of Dayton); Ginny Manss (The College of Mt. St. Joseph); Elliot Rudoy (Lorain County Community College) and Richard Starr (Clark State Community College). Barbara Hanniford (The Ohio State University) served as the DACUM Recorder and Jay McCreary (Marion Technical College) as the DACUM Planning Coordinator with Timothy D. Nolan (Cincinnati Technical College) as the DACUM Facilitator.

The second phase of the Community and Governmental Relations Committee project on licensing requirements was undertaken with the development of a publication on voluntary credentialing programs sponsored by professional associations across the nation. This project, as completed, will provide a companion publication to **State Requirements for Occupational and Professional Licensing in Continuing Education** issued in March, 1987. The Committee also sponsored with OAACE the third annual Adult and Continuing Education Week in Ohio (March 20-26, 1988). The Association's Winter Conference 1988 was held at The Great Southern Hotel in Columbus on March 17-18, 1988 with the theme, **An OCHEA Sampler**, focusing on the variety and diversity of programs and services in continuing higher education in Ohio through the presentation of more than 24 concurrent sessions. Representative Ronald Gerberry, Chairman of the House Education Committee was the keynote speaker. The Winter Conference had the highest enrollment to date, 112 participants and 40 presenters. John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) served as Chair of the Winter Conference Committee.

The Executive Board elected Richard F. Celeste, Governor of Ohio, and William B. Coulter, Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, as Honorary Members with the intention of presenting the certificates to the designees at the 1988 Winter Conference. Governor Celeste and Mr. Coulter were unable to attend the conference. Thus, the conferral of the honorary membership was deferred to a later date.

The 1988 Summer Conference was held in Toledo from July 13-15, 1988 at The Seagate Center with Margaret Katzan (University of Toledo) as Chair. The conference with the theme, **On the Right "Tack"** had an attendance of 91.

In 1987-1988 the Standing Rules adopted by the Executive Board included policies on carryover revenue and on Committee and Constituency budgets.

The Association Constituencies met at the Winter Conference and the Summer Conference. Under the leadership of Robert Joyce (Vice President) the Private College and University Constituency met at Ohio Dominican College in Columbus on November 13, 1987 to review pertinent issues and for the professional development of its members.

The Executive Board met with the Private Colleges and Universities Constituency at Ohio Dominican College. The Executive Board also met with the chief continuing education officers from the public colleges and universities on May 12, 1988 to explore mutual interests. The chief continuing education officers at public colleges and universities began meeting in the Fall, 1986.

The mail ballot for President-Elect with Robert Joyce (Heidelberg College) and Paul Callahan (Cincinnati Technical Institute) as the nominees resulted in a tie. The Executive Board ruled that a ballot of institutional representatives attending the conference would be used to resolve the tie. President McCreary conducted a ballot of the institutional representatives attending the Annual Business Meeting with Mr. Callahan winning that election.

The Association's Constitution was amended to delete the Ex-Officio member of the Executive Board from the Ohio Board of Regents and to make the term of office for the Association Treasurer a two-year term.

The Ohio Board of Regents at its meeting in Youngstown, Ohio at Youngstown State University on March 11, 1988 passed a resolution commending OCHEA for its support and assistance.

APPENDIX A

OHIO CONTINUING EDUCATION COUNCIL

PROLOGUE

The Ohio Continuing Education Council of Two-Year Colleges was established in 1976 to foster an exchange of information about new and existing programs; to promote continuing education at technical and community colleges; to encourage cooperation among professionals at technical and community colleges; to keep abreast of developments for the promotion of continuing education; and to promote input by continuing education practitioners to state agencies on issues of relevance to continuing education and community service. A Task Force of the Council on Mission and Goals met during the Summer, 1977 to review its charge and proceeded to develop a questionnaire to be completed by 23 technical and community colleges during the Fall, 1977. The excitement of a newly developed organization that would nurture creativity and innovation permeated the Council's membership. A membership-base also surfaced that began to look at the future for changes and development. The early assessment of institutional and member interest and need carried forward over OCEC's years of existence. The OCEC leadership during the early, pioneering stages provided a strong foundation for opportunities of growth at all levels.

1976-1983

A review of OCEC's seven years of operation reveals that the organization provided a range of professional development opportunities for staff in two-year colleges. These included one and two day meetings held around the State on a variety of topics: Reaching Business and Industry (April 1 & 2, 1976) Community Education-Involvement for Higher Education Needs Assessment (October 28 -29, 1976); Legal Aspects of Continuing Education (October 28, 1978); Effective Communications for Marketing (April 27 and 28, 1978); Working With Your Development Office (November 16 and 17, 1978); Economic Development and The Two Year College and ACT Registry for CEU's (November 30, 1979); Ohio Legislators and The Legislative Process (February 15 and 16, 1979); Ohio Technology Transfer Organization (October 30, 1980); Accurate Program Cost Analysis (October 29 and 30, 1981); and Small Business Training Network (April 30, 1982).

Meetings were also held with staff from the Ohio Board of Regents on Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965, the Lifelong Learning Committee, as well as on the master plan development by the Regents. Through the Ohio Technical and Community College Association (OTCCA) the two-year college continuing educators were linked to the statewide efforts of their respective institutions.

The governance structure of OCEC provided for a President; Vice President (President-Elect); Secretary/Treasurer and three at-large members comprising a Steering Committee.

COLLABORATION BEGINS

The first dialogue between the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education (OCHCE) and the Ohio Continuing Education Council (OCEC) exploring areas of mutual interest and concern took place on December 14, 1976 with Robert McCormick (Assistant Vice President for Continuing Education, The Ohio State University), President of OCHCE and Carol A. Fought (Director of Continuing Education, Columbus Technical Institute), President of OCEC. At this meeting Drs. McCormick and Fought agreed that it would be useful for the officers of both organizations to meet. On February 11, 1977 a joint meeting was held at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow at The Ohio State University in Columbus and plans were set in motion to initiate a joint council conference to be held in the Fall, 1977. A proposed agenda for the conference included: institutional funding; state reimbursement CEU programs: development of state wide attention to continuing education/lifelong learning; modes of interinstitutional cooperation and institutional types and roles in higher continuing education. Steps were also to be addressed for the future consolidation of the two councils moving toward a more forceful position that could impact statewide programs in higher continuing education.

In the Summer, 1979 the second effort directed toward bringing the two state wide associations together was undertaken with OCEC President Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College) and Roslyn Talerico, Vice President, (Cuyahoga Community College) and OCHCE President John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) and Ferris Anthony, Vice President, (Cleveland State University) meeting to explore areas of cooperation and collaboration. On November 29, 1979 Chancellor Edward Q. Moulton addressed a joint meeting of OCEC and OCHCE at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow in Columbus. This joint activity was an outgrowth of the Summer 1979 meeting.

OCHCE hosted a joint OCHCE and OCEC meeting at Mohican State Park Lodge from April 22-24, 1980. The agenda included: new program development (identifying audiences and emerging topics); certified and professional training program opportunities; registration; management and procurement of mailing lists; telecourses; conference development and management; and working relationships with business and industry.

At the November 5, 1982 meeting of OCEC discussions were held on the reorganization of the two year continuing education association to provide for the entry of four-year colleges and universities. Consensus of the OCEC group was that this format was worth studying. However, any plan which the group would support must provide for separate constituency meetings of two year group in order to address their unique problems, concerns and interests.

THE NEW ASSOCIATION

Members of OCEC participated in the Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization appointed by Chancellor Moulton. The Spring, 1983 conference held at Ohio University-Lancaster focused on the background, goals, purposes and constitution of the proposed Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association (OCHEA). Unanimous commitment was given to support approval of OCHEA's constitution and Leon Albert (Stark Technical College), President of OCEC, was authorized to represent the consensus of the group at the April 21, 1983 Constitutional Convention for OCHEA in Columbus.

As the new statewide continuing education association (OCHEA) was established, OCEC provided a loan of $100 to OCHEA for start-up cash and later OCEC transferred its treasury of $656.63 to OCHEA for use of the new association. With that action OCEC ceased to function and the allegiance and commitments previously associated with OCEC were transferred to OCHEA.

Ohio Council on Continuing Education
Officers and Steering Committee
1976-1983

1976-1977 Carol A. Fought (Columbus Technical Institute) President
Richard Starr (Clark Technical College) Vice President (President Elect)
Mickey Brooks (Kent State University-Salem) Secretary-Treasurer
James E. Lorion (Cuyahoga Community College) Member
Peter J. McCafferty (Jefferson Technical Institute) Member
Leon Albert (Stark Technical College) Member

1977-1978 Richard Starr (Clark Technical College) President
James Nagel (Northwest Technical College) Vice President (President Elect)
Mickey Brooks (Kent State University-Salem) Secretary-Treasurer
Peter J. McCafferty (Jefferson Technical Institute) Member
Leon Albert (Stark Technical College) Member
J. Frank Roberts (Terra Technical College) Member

1978-1979 James E. Nagel (Northwest Technical College) President
Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College) Vice President (President Elect)
Roslyn Talerico (Cuyahoga Community College (Cuyahoga Community College) Secretary-Treasurer
Leon Albert (Stark Technical College) Member
J. Frank Roberts (Terra Technical College) Member
Edward W. Holzapfel, Jr. (Washington Technical College) Member

1979-1980 Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College) President
Roslyn Talerico (Cuyahoga Community College) Vice President (President Elect)
Roslyn Talerico (Cuyahoga Community College) Secretary-Treasurer
Edward W. Holzapfel, J R. (Washington Technical College) Member
J. Frank Roberts (Terra Technical College) Member
Cecil Dobbins (Akron University) Member

1980-1981 Roslyn Talerico (Cuyahoga Community College) President
Leon H. Albert (Stark Technical College) Vice President (President Elect)
Gary Wilson (Edison State Community College) Secretary-Treasurer
Edward W. Holzapfel, Jr. (Washington Technical College) Member
Brian Donnelly (Cuyahoga Community College) Member
Susan McGough (Lorain County Community College) Member

1981-1982 Leon H. Albert (Stark Technical College) President
Edward W. Holzapfel (Washington Technical College) Vice President
Andrew M. McGreevey (Ohio University-Lancaster) Secretary-Treasurer
Zoe Bechtol (Central Ohio Technical College) Member
Paul Callaham (Cincinnati Technical College) Member
Lew Yeager (Washington Technical College) Member
Edward Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College) Member
Gloria Gallenas (Lima Technical College) Member

1982-1983 Leon H. Albert (Stark Technical College) President
Edward Geiger (Muskingum Area Technical College) Vice President (President Elect)
Andrew M. McGreevey (Ohio University-Lancaster) Secretary-Treasurer
Lew Yeager (Washington Technical College) Member
Zoe Bechtol (Ohio State University) Member
Paul Callahan (Cincinnati Technical College) Member
Rita Gitson (Cuyahoga Community College) Member
Edward West (Jefferson Technical College) Member

APPENDIX B

OHIO COUNCIL FOR HIGHER CONTINUING EDUCATION

PROLOGUE

The development of higher continuing education in the State of Ohio has been historically more episodic than continuous, and developed unevenly in the various subject matter disciplines and professional fields. In the 1960's, the most fully developed, statewide program in Ohio was the work of a Cooperative Extension Service in the fields of agriculture and home economics. This activity began at The Ohio State University in 1905. The development of cooperative education at the University of Cincinnati helped to produce a sizable and dynamic evening college in that institution. By the mid-1960's most of the state-assisted universities in Ohio had developed some form of continuing education, extension or evening school program.

The "Great Society" programs of the President Johnson's administration included the first federal funds designated specifically for higher continuing education in areas other than agriculture and home economics. Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965 provided more hope and encouragement than actual funds. In spite of this Act's rather serious limitations it served as a stimulus for institutions of higher education to engage in continuing education to address the solution of community problems. In Ohio the Act was administered through the Ohio Board of Regents, the State Coordinating Board.

THE NEED FOR COORDINATION

Within the context of the activities described above, The Ohio State University under the direction of John T. Mount (Vice President of Educational Services) conducted an extensive study of the role of that institution in conducting continuing education programs and the coordination of existing programs in agriculture, home economics, business, engineering, and medicine both within the institution and with other state-assisted universities in Ohio. Through this study, among other objectives, a specific objective was established at The Ohio State University which identified the provision of a means through which The Ohio State University could cooperate with other state and private institutions of higher education within Ohio in continuing education programs. The Ohio Board of Regents through James Furman, Executive Officer, expressed a concern that there was no mechanism through which to communicate effectively in administering the Title I projects. He also indicated that it was difficult to identify the individuals responsible for continuing education at the several state-assisted universities.

After discussions with Mr. Furman, Vice President Mount (The Ohio State University)issued a call on December 27, 1967 to representatives of the state-assisted universities to attend an exploratory meeting on higher continuing education on January 25, 1968. At the January 25 meeting Vice President Mount and James Furman spoke of the purpose of the meeting--need for the development of statewide continuing education programs and of the desirability of representatives from the state-assisted universities to identify major concerns and needs for continuing education in Ohio. An ad hoc committee was designated to develop a statement of purpose, functions and areas of concern under Vice President Mount (Chair) with Frank R. Neuffer

(University of Cincinnati); Curtis Johnson (Ohio University), Clyde Balch (University of Toledo) and Kenneth Haygood (Cleveland State University) as members.

Attending the January 25 meeting were Charles Blair (University of Akron), Ralph Greer (Bowling Green State University), Frank R. Neuffer (University of Cincinnati), Thomas Beach (University of Cincinnati), Kenneth Haygood (Cleveland State University), Gerald Hayes (Kent State University), Donald Cunningham (Miami University), Fred Huster (Miami University), Curtis Johnson (Ohio University), Lawrence Looby (Ohio University-Zanesville), Clyde Balch (University of Toledo), Warren Abraham (Wright State University), Nicholas Paraska (Youngstown State University) James Furman (Ohio Board of Regents) John T. Mount and Robert W. McCormick (The Ohio State University). The reaction to the initial meeting was positive and the group decided to pursue formal organization with the ad hoc committee guiding that effort. On February 28, 1968 the ad hoc committee met to pursue its task and to review comments from the state-assisted universities.

A second meeting of the institutional representatives was held on Thursday, May 23, 1968 at the Ohio Union on The Ohio State University campus. Attending this meeting were Mr. James Furman (Ohio Board of Regents); Frank Neuffer (University of Cincinnati, Dean of the Evening College); Earl V. Thesken (Miami University, Dean for Educational Services); Curtis M. Johnson (Ohio University, Director of Continuing Education), Warren Abraham (Wright State University, Dean of Continuing Education); Robert W. McCormick (The Ohio State University, Assistant Vice President for Continuing Education); Ralph Greer (Bowling Green State University, Off Campus Programs); Charles Blair (The University of Akron, Dean of Continuing Education); Nicholas Paraska (Youngstown State University, Dean of the Technical and Community College); Kenneth Haygood (Cleveland State University, Dean of Continuing Education); Clyde Balch (University of Toledo, Dean of Continuing Education) Fred Hoster (Miami University); Gail Nelcamp and Thomas Beach (University of Cincinnati); Lawrence Looby (Ohio University); F. Leslie Speir (Kent State University); and John T. Mount (The Ohio State University). Dr. Robert Pitchell, Executive Director of the National University Extension Association also met with the group.

A third meeting of the institutional representatives was held on June 3, 1968 following the **1968 Statewide Conference for Continuing Education and Community Service -- Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965** at The Ohio State University. In this meeting discussion focused on the soon-to-be organized Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Eduction's (OCHCE) use of Title I funds to conduct a survey of the continuing education effort in Ohio. Joining in this meeting were the members and James Furman (Executive Officer, Ohio Board of Regents) and Eugene Welden (Acting Director, Continuing Education and Community Service Program, U. S. Office of Education).

THE COUNCIL ESTABLISHED

Within eight months of the January, 1968 meeting the group met as the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education on Thursday, August 8, 1968. Two additional meetings were held in 1968 at The Ohio State University. In addition to a general description of programs conducted at each institution major topics included Title I of Higher Education Act and problems of financing non-credit continuing education. First officers of the Ohio Council

on Higher Continuing Education were Robert W. McCormick (The Ohio State University) ,Chair; Kenneth Haygood (Cleveland State University), Vice Chair; and Charles Blair (University of Akron), Secretary; and F. Leslie Speir (Kent State University), Treasurer. These individuals continued in their respective offices through 1969 at which time Kenneth Haygood became the Chair.

The purpose of the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education as adopted in 1968 was "...to provide a mechanism for state-assisted universities and community colleges in Ohio to work together and develop understanding and support for credit and non-credit continuing education and community service among the citizens of Ohio and among the local, state and national levels of government." The governance structure set in place in 1968 provided for the election of a Chair (President); Vice Chair (President-Elect) and Secretary/Treasurer on an annual basis.

Evidence of the relatively rapid maturity of the organization is reflected in the fact that in 1969 OCHCE, as an organization, submitted a Title I project which was funded and involved most of the member institutions. Each institution conducted a series of two or three seminars designed to identify community problems which might be addressed by future Title I projects. OCHCE added the state-assisted community colleges to its membership late in 1968. This included Cuyahoga Community College, Lakeland Community College, Lorain County Community College and Sinclair Community College.

In 1970 OCHCE began meeting at the Center for Tomorrow on the Ohio State University campus for most of its sessions. However, beginning that year one or more meetings per year were held at other locations around the state.

In 1971 William Coulter replaced James Furman as Executive Officer of the Ohio Board of Regents. OCHCE provided a mechanism in 1971 whereby the Labor Education and Research Service at The Ohio State University scheduled meetings with continuing education and other appropriate personnel at universities in cities where Labor Education personnel were stationed. Meetings were held at Youngstown State University, the University of Toledo, Cleveland State University, Wright State University and the University of Cincinnati.

In 1972 Cleveland State University and The Ohio State University obtained funding under Title I through the Ohio Board of Regents for "Urban Extension Programs." In February, 1972 Kenneth Haygood (Cleveland State University) developed a position paper, **Continuing Education and Community Service Activities of State-Assisted Institutions in Ohio.**

The meeting cycle of OCHCE varied from 4 meetings annually to bi-monthly cycle in the years from 1973-1975. In May, 1974 The Ohio Citizen's Task Force on Higher Education issued its final report to the Ohio Board of Regents. The Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education studied this report in detail and in response spent most of 1974-1975 developing a Master Plan for Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning. This report was submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents on December 10, 1975. It was the hope of the OCHCE member institutions that this Master Plan would ultimately lead to the funding of non-credit continuing programs through the Ohio Board of Regents. It was proposed that the number of continuing education units (CEU's) generated by non-credit programs at each state-assisted institution of higher education be used as the basis for state subsidy through the Ohio Board of Regents. This was a hope and a dream which remained unrealized by the members of OCHCE.

Throughout the entire period of its existence to this point one of the unifying concerns of OCHCE was the coordination of activities related to Title I of the Higher Education Act. There were many discussions of service areas for institutions of higher education, competition with technical schools and the maintenance of quality instruction in continuing education programs. The lack of financial support from the Ohio Board of Regents for non-credit continuing education was a matter for discussion at many meetings. The nationally recognized CEU (continuing education unit), as a unit of measure for non-credit programs to parallel the concept of "credit hours", was a topic for extended discussion and debate by OCHCE in this time period. Between 1975 and the early 1980's the individuals serving as the chief administrative officer of the respective continuing education units at the state-assisted universities in Ohio changed from the early days of OCHCE.

With the turnover of the individuals in this role and with changes in the state focus on higher education and continuing higher education, OCHCE continued to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas, programs and services as well as to establish collaborative efforts for program development and delivery. By the late 1970's Title I of the Higher Education Act had diminished as a primary focus. Meetings of OCHCE were held on a bi-monthly basis throughout this period.

Beginning in 1976-1977 staff from the offices of the member institutions were invited to attend meetings to participate in professional development sessions. The topics of these meetings varied based on the location of the meetings, which were held around the state, and the resources of the institution hosting the meeting, as well as, the needs and interests of the staff for professional development as determined by the institutional representatives.

COLLABORATION EMERGES

It should be noted that at the March 2, 1979 meeting of OCHCE that discussion focused on the need to develop ties with the two-year college continuing education association (OCEC). It was generally agreed that there is a need for unity among the various continuing education associations throughout the State. It was moved and approved to initiate action exploring the feasibility of merging the two existing higher continuing education organizations into one group. This action was a follow up to 1976-1977 meetings between Robert W. McCormick (Chair, OCHCE) and Carol A. Fought (President, OCEC) and of the associations and the joint conference of OCEC and OCHCE in Fall, 1977. The March 2 action on the part of OCHCE resulted in a July, 1979 meeting with John R. Loch, OCHCE President, (Youngstown State University) and Ferris Anthony, OCHCE Vice President, (Cleveland State University) with Susan McGough, President of OCEC, (Lorain County Community College) and Roslyn Talerico, Vice-President of OCEC, (Cuyahoga Community College). A joint meeting of the officers and institutional representatives and staff was held at the Fawcett Center on November 29, 1979 with Chancellor Edward Q. Moulton of the Ohio Board of Regents as the speaker.

Joint meetings with the OCEC and OCHCE Executive Board and member institutions continued to occur throughout the period from 1981 through the establishment of the Ohio Board of Regents' Committee on a Statewide Continuing Education Organization. Conferences were held at Mohican State Park Lodge in 1981 in

both the Spring and in July, as well as, the joint conference at Cleveland State University in August, 1982.

In 1980-1981 a revision of the OCHCE Charter was adopted at the August 28, 1981 meeting. The revised OCHCE Charter incorporated changes in the structure of the organization; a statement on ethics and program quality standards; a definition of the standing committees and their duties; and the deletion of the "community service" thrust from the document. These changes reflected, once again, the changing philosophy and the change in personnel serving as institutional representatives.

Concerns which were evident throughout the initial and later stages of the establishment of joint working relationships between OCHCE and OCEC surfaced as the meetings and the organizational process for the new statewide continuing education association came to a conclusion. In action at the OCHCE meeting on February 25, 1983 a motion was passed suggesting that OCHCE members should not vote for the constitution of the proposed association at the April 21, 1983 meeting but rather should use that meeting to clarify or modify the constitution. At its April 20, 1983 meeting after further discussion and clarification of issues relating to ratification, officers, voting and committees, it was determined that the new association would provide a way to improve the advocacy roll for continuing higher education as well as to provide for a unified professional organization. With this decision by the OCHCE member institutions, OCHCE adjourned with no future meetings scheduled pending the outcome of the establishment of the new statewide association.

THE END OF AN ERA

OCHCE was maintained as an organization through the July 27, 1984 OCHEA Conference at the Aqua Marine Resort in Avon Lake, Ohio, when at the conclusion of the Public College and University Constituency meeting, the final meeting of OCHCE was called to order by Karen Rylander (Kent State University). John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) advanced a motion to dissolve OCHCE and to transfer the assets of the Council ($866.62) to the new association--the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association (OCHEA). The motion passed by acclamation.

The Council, which had served the state-assisted colleges and universities for 16 years and was the first association for higher continuing education in Ohio, came to an end after the first year of existence of OCHEA. OCHCE had its roots in public service and community service through Title I of the Higher Education Act and involvment with the Ohio Board of Regents in this and other issues relating to funding of higher continuing education. OCHCE over time moved from meetings of institutional representatives only to serving a variety of professional development needs for staff. Thus, OCHCE was both an advocacy-based and professional development-focused association.

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Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education

1968-1984

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1977-1978	Curtis Johnson (Ohio University) President Willard Hutzel (Wright State University) Vice President John R. Loch (Youngstown State University) Secretary/Treasurer
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1975-1976	Robert Sherman (Miami University) President Clyde Balch (University of Toledo) Vice President Curtis Johnson (Ohio University) Secretary/Treasurer
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1973-1974	Lawrence Looby (Youngstown State University) Chairman Lesley Sybert (Sinclair Community College) Vice Chairman Thomas Beach (University of Cincinnati) Secretary/Treasurer
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1971-1972	Curtis Johnson (Ohio University) Chairman Clyde Balch (University of Toledo) Vice Chairman Lawrence Looby (Youngstown State University) Secretary/Treasurer
1970-1971	Charles Blair (University of Akron) Chairman Curtis Johnson (Ohio University) Vice Chairman Clyde Balch (University of Toledo) Secretary/Treasurer
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APPENDIX C

OCHEA ARCHIVES

The Executive Board of the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association in 1986 designated the Vernon R. Alden Library at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio as the official archives and repository for Association records.

The OCHEA Archives (MS Collection 100) contains minutes, reports, correspondence and publications of the Association (1982-present) and the same for the Ohio Council on Higher Continuing Education (1968-1984) and the Ohio Continuing Education Council (1976-1983), the predecessor associations to OCHEA.

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APPENDIX D

OCHEA RELATED DOCUMENTS
INCORPORATED INTO THE
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OCHEA Summer Conference Proceedings (July 23-25, 1986)	38 pp.	ED271-579
State Requirements for Occupational and Professional Licensing and Continuing Education	79 pp.	ED284-959
Standards for Non Credit Continuing Education	12 pp.	ED255-706
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